

a¹ cover has a flex [modules] modulus of 5-310 kpsi.

a² 39. (Once Amended) A process according to claim [36] 38, further comprising a [the] step of (b) recycling at least 20% of the polyurethane/polyurea that is produced in connection with step (a) but which is not incorporated into the ball during that step.

a³ 41. (Once Amended) A process according to claim [38] 40, further comprising a [the] step of (d) recycling at least 20% of the RIM-produced material comprising polyurethane that was produced consequent to step (a).

42. (Once Amended) A golf ball comprising at least one [fast-chemical-reaction-produced] layer comprising polyurethane/polyurea which is formed from reactants, said layer having a flex modulus of 5-310 kpsi in a reaction time of 5 minutes or less and a thickness of at least 0.01".

REMARKS

The Office Action of June 8, 1999 has been considered by the Applicants. In view of the amendments and remarks set forth herein, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

I. The Office Action

The drawings were objected to under 37 C.F.R. 1.83(a).

Claims 1-44 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as purportedly being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicants regard as the invention.

Claims 1-44 were initially rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Melvin et al.* (U.S. Patent No. 5,779,562) or *Cavallaro et al.* (U.S. Patent No. 5,813,923), each in view of *Molitor et al.* (U.S. Patent No. 4,762,322).

II. The Drawings

In accordance with the Examiner's request, Applicants have included